<u>REMARKS</u>

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that the Examiner required clarification of Claims 6 and 7.

At the same time the Examiner indicated that Claims 4-9, 11 and 23-27 are allowed.

The Examiner's indication of allowance of the claims has been gratefully acknowledged.

In connection with the Examiner's requirement for clarification of Claims 6 and 7, these claims have been amended so as to provide the clarification in accordance with the Examiner's requirements.

It is believed that Claims 6 and 7 as amended will satisfy the Examiner's requirements.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application with all the claims currently on file is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance; he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

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